freight for Steel industries in last two years has been as follows:—

| Year | Rs. in Crores |
|---|---|
| 1989-90 | 533.64 |
| 1990-91 | 705.04 |

(d) and (e) The team deputed to U.S.A. has since returned on 25th November, '91. The team has indicated that some of the following technologies could be applied to deal with Jharia Coalfield fire:—

(i) Use of hydro monitors for quenching the fire followed by excavation of heated debris and coal;

(ii) Drilling under high temperature conditions;

(iii) Infusion of foams through bore-holes;

(iv) Use of expanded cement-slurry mix for sealing of the cracks and stabilising the area;

A detailed Action Plan is being worked out by the team with the assistance of other experts in the field to control all the fires of Jharia Coalfield effectively.

**Illegal mining in coal mines ....**

946. SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that due to illegal collusion of Eastern Coalfields Limited and the Coal Mafia unabated illegal mining is going on in Lalmalia and Simlong mines of Rajmahal Project; and

(b) if so, what steps Government propose to tackle this situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) and (b) Government is not aware of any large scale illegal mining of coal in coalfield areas. Any cases of illegal mining as and when detected are reported to local police authorities for taking action according to law.

**Inclusion of representative of SC/ST and Minorities in the Selection Committees/ Boards**

947. MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the instructions of the Government of India of August, 1990 for inclusion of representatives of SC, ST and Minorities in the Selection Committees/ Boards have been implemented by his Ministry;

(b) if so, what are the details of such bodies and organisations under his Ministry where the instructions have been implemented;

(c) what are the names of the bodies which have not implemented the instructions so far and the reasons therefor; and

(d) what steps are being taken by Government/institutions in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) and (b) All the public sector undertakings/subordinate formations under the administrative control of the Ministry of Coal have reported compliance of the instructions of the Government of India of August, 1990 for inclusion of the representatives of SC, ST and Minorities in the Selection Committees/Boards. Their names are as under:—

1. Coal India Limited;
2. Neyveli Lignite Corporation Limited;
3. Eastern Coalfields Limited;
4. Bharat Coking Coal Limited;
5. Western Coalfields Limited;
6. Central Coalfields Limited;
7. South Eastern Coalfields Limited;
8. Northern Coalfields Limited;
9. Central Mine Planning & Design Institute Limited;
10. North Eastern Coalfields Limited;
11. Coal Mines Provident Fund, Dhanbad; and